

Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

SPC Jesus O. Flores, Jr., 28, of La Mirada, CA, died October 15 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with an improvised explosive device. Specialist Flores was assigned to the 569th Mobility Augmentation Company, 4th Engineer Battalion, Fort Carson, CO.

SPC Michael A. Dahl, Jr., 23, of Moreno Valley, CA, died October 17 in Argahndab, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with an improvised explosive device. Specialist Dahl was assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 5th Stryker Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, WA.

LCpl David R. Baker, 22, of Painesville, OH, died October 20 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Lance Corporal Baker was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

SPC Kyle A. Coumas, 22, of Lockeford, CA, died October 21 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with an improvised explosive device. Specialist Coumas was assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 5th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, WA.

Capt Kyle R. Van De Giesen, 29, of North Attleboro, MA, died October 26 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Captain Van De Giesen was assigned to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

Capt David S. Mitchell, 30, of Loveland, OH, died October 26 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Captain Mitchell was assigned to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 367, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

Capt Eric A. Jones, 29, of Westchester, NY, died October 26 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Captain Jones was assigned to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

Cpl Gregory M.W. Fleury, 23, of Anchorage, AK, died October 26 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Corporal Fleury was assigned to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

SGT Edvigis G. Wolf, 24, of Hawthorne, CA, died October 25 in Kunar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked her ve-

hicle with a rocket-propelled grenade. Sergeant Wolf was assigned to the 704th Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, CO.

LCpl Cody R. Stanley, 21, of Rosanky, TX, died October 28 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Lance Corporal Stanley was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, CA.

SFC David E. Metzger, 32, of San Diego, CA, died October 26 of wounds suffered when the MH-47 helicopter he was aboard crashed in Darreh-ye Bum, Afghanistan. Sergeant First Class Metzger was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Airborne, Fort Bragg, NC.

Sgt Charles I. Cartwright, 26, of Union Bridge, MD, died November 7 while supporting combat operations in Farah province, Afghanistan. Sergeant Cartwright was assigned to 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command, Camp Pendleton, CA.

LCpl Justin J. Swanson, 21, of Anaheim, CA, died November 10 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Lance Corporal Swanson was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA.

PFC Marcus A. Tynes, 19, of Moreno Valley, CA, died November 21 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when enemy forces attacked his vehicle with an improvised explosive device. Private First Class Tynes was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, NC.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION AND FORESTRY SUB- COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Mrs. LINCOLN. Madam President, the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry has amended and adopted subcommittees for the 111th Congress. On behalf of myself and Senator CHAMBLISS, I ask unanimous consent that a copy of the subcommittees be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

111th Congress

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Subcommittee on Rural Revitalization, Conservation, Forestry and Credit: Rural economic revitalization and quality of life; rural job and business growth; rural electrification, telecommunications and utilities; conservation, protection and stewardship of natural resources; state, local and private forests and general forestry; agricultural and rural credit.

Sen. Stabenow, Chair; Sen. Leahy; Sen. Harkin; Sen. Nelson; Sen. Casey; Sen. Bennet; Sen. Cornyn, Ranking; Sen. Cochran; Sen. McConnell; Sen. Grassley; and Sen. Thune.

Subcommittee on Energy, Science and Technology: Renewable energy production and energy efficiency improvement on farms and ranches and in rural communities; food and agricultural research, education, economics and extension; innovation in the use of agricultural commodities and materials.

Sen. Bennet, Chair; Sen. Conrad; Sen. Nelson; Sen. Brown; Sen. Klobuchar; Sen. Stabenow; Sen. Gillibrand; Sen. Thune, Ranking; Sen. Lugar; Sen. Roberts; Sen. Johanns; Sen. Grassley; and Sen. Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Hunger, Nutrition, and Family Farms: Domestic and international nutrition and food assistance and hunger prevention; school and child nutrition programs; local and healthy food initiatives; futures, options and derivatives; pesticides; and general legislation.

Sen. Brown, Chair; Sen. Leahy; Sen. Harkin; Sen. Baucus; Sen. Stabenow; Sen. Casey; Sen. Klobuchar; Sen. Bennet; Sen. Gillibrand; Sen. Lugar, Ranking; Sen. Cochran; Sen. McConnell; and Sen. Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Production, Income Protection and Price Support: Production of agricultural crops, commodities and products; farm and ranch income protection and assistance; commodity price support programs; insurance and risk protection; fresh water food production.

Sen. Casey, Chair; Sen. Leahy; Sen. Harkin; Sen. Conrad; Sen. Baucus; Sen. Brown; Sen. Roberts, Ranking; Sen. Cochran; Sen. Johanns; Sen. Grassley; and Sen. Thune.

Subcommittee on Domestic and Foreign Marketing, Inspection, and Plant and Animal Health: Agricultural trade; foreign market development; domestic marketing and product promotion; marketing orders and regulation of agricultural markets and animal welfare; inspection and certification of plants, animals and products; plant and animal diseases and health protection.

Sen. Gillibrand, Chair; Sen. Conrad; Sen. Baucus; Sen. Nelson; Sen. Klobuchar; Sen. Johanns, Ranking; Sen. Lugar; Sen. McConnell; and Sen. Roberts.

*Senator Lincoln and Senator Chambliss serve as ex officio members of all subcommittees.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO CANADIAN SENATOR JERAHMIEL "JERRY" GRAFSTEIN

● Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, I wish to draw the attention of my colleagues to the retirement of Jerahmiel S. Grafstein from the Canadian Senate.

As a member and now as Chairman of the Helsinki Commission, I have had the privilege to know and work with Jerry Grafstein over the years through participation in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe—the OSCE. I know that my colleague from Ohio, Senator VOINOVICH, also knows Jerry well, having just worked with him on a resolution at this year's Annual Session of the Assembly in Vilnius, Lithuania, on combating anti-Semitism. I suspect that many of my other Senate colleagues have also worked with him over the years, as have many of our colleagues in the House of Representatives.

Anybody who has met Senator Grafstein immediately recognizes him as a man of tremendous energy, deep commitment and brilliant mind. Commenting on Jerry's career, one of his Canadian Senate colleagues noted the daunting task of paying tribute "to a force of nature disguised as a person." A successful lawyer, businessman and member of the Liberal Party, he was summoned to the Canadian Senate in 1984. Jerry Grafstein's accomplishments over the next 25 years of public service are much more than I can relay here.

I do, however, want to highlight Jerry's prominent work with the 56 countries, 300 member OSCE Parliamentary Assembly. Serving for 6 years as the Assembly's treasurer and then, with me since 2007, as one of nine Vice Presidents, Jerry has understood the potential of this multilateral parliamentary forum to promote human rights, democracy and tolerance. Such a vital forum, however, does not just magically appear for the world's benefit. Someone has to take the time to make it function by participating as an officer, attending countless organizational meetings and, for us and our Canadian neighbors, traveling frequently across the Atlantic to do so. Jerry was one who rose to the challenge and then some.

Even as he helped on organizational matters, Jerry Grafstein found more time than most others to focus on substance. First and foremost, he has helped to lead the charge against rising anti-Semitism across Europe and around the world. Diplomacy has a tendency to soften the criticism and downplay the negative, often until it is too late, but Jerry has helped to ensure that the OSCE did not shy away from dealing directly with this and other manifestations of hate and prejudice that dangerously confront far too many societies. Today, thanks to the vigilance of Jerry Grafstein and others, efforts to promote greater tolerance are now a solid, ongoing and vital aspect of the OSCE's work.

This distinguished Senator from Canada also found time to participate and help lead OSCE PA missions observing elections and referenda in places like Russia, Ukraine, Georgia and Montenegro. By being an international observer, he became a witness to history and, in my view, helped history forward and make the world a more democratic place.

In all his public endeavors, Jerry Grafstein has been a close friend of the United States of America. He has helped over the years to develop the bilateral dialogue between the U.S. Congress and the Canadian Parliament. He has come here to Washington on many occasions, including as a participant in Helsinki Commission events. He has always made clear that he is Canadian and proud of the country he represents, but that has never kept him from developing areas of common interest and seeking points of agreement even on

some issues where our national views may otherwise diverge.

Jerry Grafstein has been and will remain a close personal friend as well, always concerned, always engaging, never pretentious. I wish him and his wife Carole the very best. Although he deserves some time off, I am confident that he will remain prominent in the life of the vibrant city of Toronto.

In noting the many accomplishments of Jeremiah Grafstein and thanking him for his commitment to public service, I respectfully borrow the Canadian Senate's tradition and join his colleagues in saying: "Hear, Hear!" On a personal level, I believe I speak for numerous colleagues of my own in saying that Jerry will be missed, and always welcome to come and visit.●

TRIBUTE TO TOMÁS VILLANUEVA

● Mrs. MURRAY. Madam President, today I would like to take a moment to recognize a very special advocate, activist, and champion for equal rights in my home State of Washington on his birthday.

Tomás Villanueva has been a farmworkers, warehouse packers, and other economically disadvantaged laborers advocate since the early 1960s. Tomás was one of the first people involved in the United Farmworkers Union in my home State and has fought for years to ensure that workers are treated with dignity, respect, and under the protections of the law.

Tomás' involvement with the human rights movement began in the early 1960s when he was inspired by UFW leader Cesar Chavez. And since that time, Tomás has fought for numerous causes and people while maintaining his reputation as a kind, generous, compassionate and humble leader.

Tomás has also been a close friend and partner of mine for a very long time. He has helped my staff and I recognize the depth of the difficult conditions that farmworkers face, and has been a consistent voice in fighting to improve conditions through the legislative process.

Farmworker housing is a moral issue, an economic issue, and a family issue. Too many workers and their families face very difficult living conditions. Some live in their cars. Others share run-down, overcrowded rooms with other families. These are not the kinds of living conditions we can tolerate in the United States in the 21st century. They are certainly not suitable for the people who help put food on our tables and who keep our State's economy strong. Tomás knows that we can and must do better.

Tomás Villanueva was 14 when his family emigrated from Mexico. After following the crops for three years, the family settled in Toppenish, Washington in 1958. Tomás spent the next several years working various jobs before earning a high school GED and enrolling in Yakima Valley College.

Hearing about Caesar Chavez's United Farm Workers movement,

Tomás travelled to California in 1967 to learn about organizing. Returning to the Yakima Valley, he helped found the United Farm Worker Cooperative, one of the very first Chicano organizations in the State of Washington.

From 1967 to 1974, Tomás devoted himself to farm worker organizing and Chicano movement activism. Out of these efforts came the Yakima Valley Farmworkers Clinic, the United Farm Workers Service Center, a wave of hop harvest strikes in 1969, 1970, 1971, and a successful grape boycott.

In 1974, Tomás started a construction company with his father and brothers, but in the 1980s he was back in the union movement. In 1986 he became the first president of the newly formed United Farm Workers of Washington State. Today he lives in Toppenish and remains active in State and local politics.

Tomás Villanueva continues to be a valued friend, hard-working partner, and widely-respected leader in his community. I am so pleased to recognize his lifetime of achievements on this special day.●

RECOGNIZING SUTHERLAND WESTON MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

● Ms. SNOWE. Madam President, as we approach the holiday season, we are frequently reminded of the generosity and warmth that Americans demonstrate year in and year out at this most festive time. In particular, we often hear stories of employees at local businesses who graciously donate their time and efforts to help the less fortunate. This week I wish to recognize the employees of one such company who consistently work to improve the lot of everyone in their community.

Sutherland Weston Marketing Communications of Bangor is a cutting-edge firm that specializes in a host of marketing topics, including public relations, media, and branding. Specifically, the company helps its customers design memorable flyers and mailers, effective television advertisements, and state-of-the-art Web sites, and teaches them the increased value of employing popular social media, such as Facebook and Twitter, in their marketing decisions. Since its inception in 2005, Sutherland Weston has assisted dozens of clients throughout Maine seeking ways to enhance their image and broaden their customer base. Among them are local small businesses such as Maine Wood Concepts of Guilford and Raye's Mustard Mill of Eastport; organizations like the Bangor Symphony Orchestra; and institutions such as the University of Maine.

Furthermore, members of the Sutherland Weston team participate regularly in conferences and seminars to better educate the public on how to maximize marketing strategies. One such event is the Social Media 101 seminar, held this past March, where the firm's owners—Elizabeth Sutherland